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Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449 and cited in the International Search Report (PCT Form PCT/ISA/210), dated October 14, 2003, and International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER), to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the International Search Report (ISR) and the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) citing such documents. Further, English-language Abstracts are attached to most of the references.

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It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

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